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\*Peru: The entire cabinet resigned last night, and the Minister of Finance said that a military cabinet probably will take over the government today. This cabinet reportedly will be headed by General Ricardo Perez Godoy, chief of the Joint Command of the Armed Forces.

The military leaders had delivered an ultimatum to President Prado on 13 July threatening to replace his government with a military junta if he did not annul the 10 June presidential elections. Prado has consistently refused to do so, maintaining that the military leaders' charges of "massive fraud" were not substantiated by investigations of the National Election Board, and it was his latest refusal which reportedly led to the cabinet's resignation.

The US Embassy in Lima, however, was told by a member of the cabinet before its resignation that an agreement exists between Prado, General Odria, one of the three leading presidential candidates, and the armed forces. Under this agreement, Prado would annul the elections if Odria could not reach an understanding with APRA candidate Haya de la Torre on a national government with Odria as president. Prado would remain in office until his term ends on July 28 after which an interim government would be formed to serve until

new elections could be held. The function of a military cabinet may be to see that this agreement is carried out.

Odria's followers and APRA leaders have been negotiating ever since election day, but an announcement by each of the parties on 15 July indicated that they had failed to form a coalition.

While the armed forces originally favored the election of Fernando Belaunde Terry, his actions in Arequipa since 12 July have discredited him in the eyes of military leaders.

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Cuba: The Cuban press, reflecting demands heard at the Moscow "Peace" Conference, has launched a new call for the liquidation of all foreign military bases, particularly the US Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay.

Over the past two years Cuban leaders have repeatedly charged that the US retention of the base territory is illegal and have said that it will at some time "return" to Cuban control. They insist that there will be no Cuban attack on the base, but that "at the appropriate time" Cuba will demand that an international juridical body act to enforce the Cuban claims. Cuban leaders may have decided to call for such action in order to divert attention from domestic problems. An "appropriate time" might be the revolutionary anniversary celebrations on 26 July.

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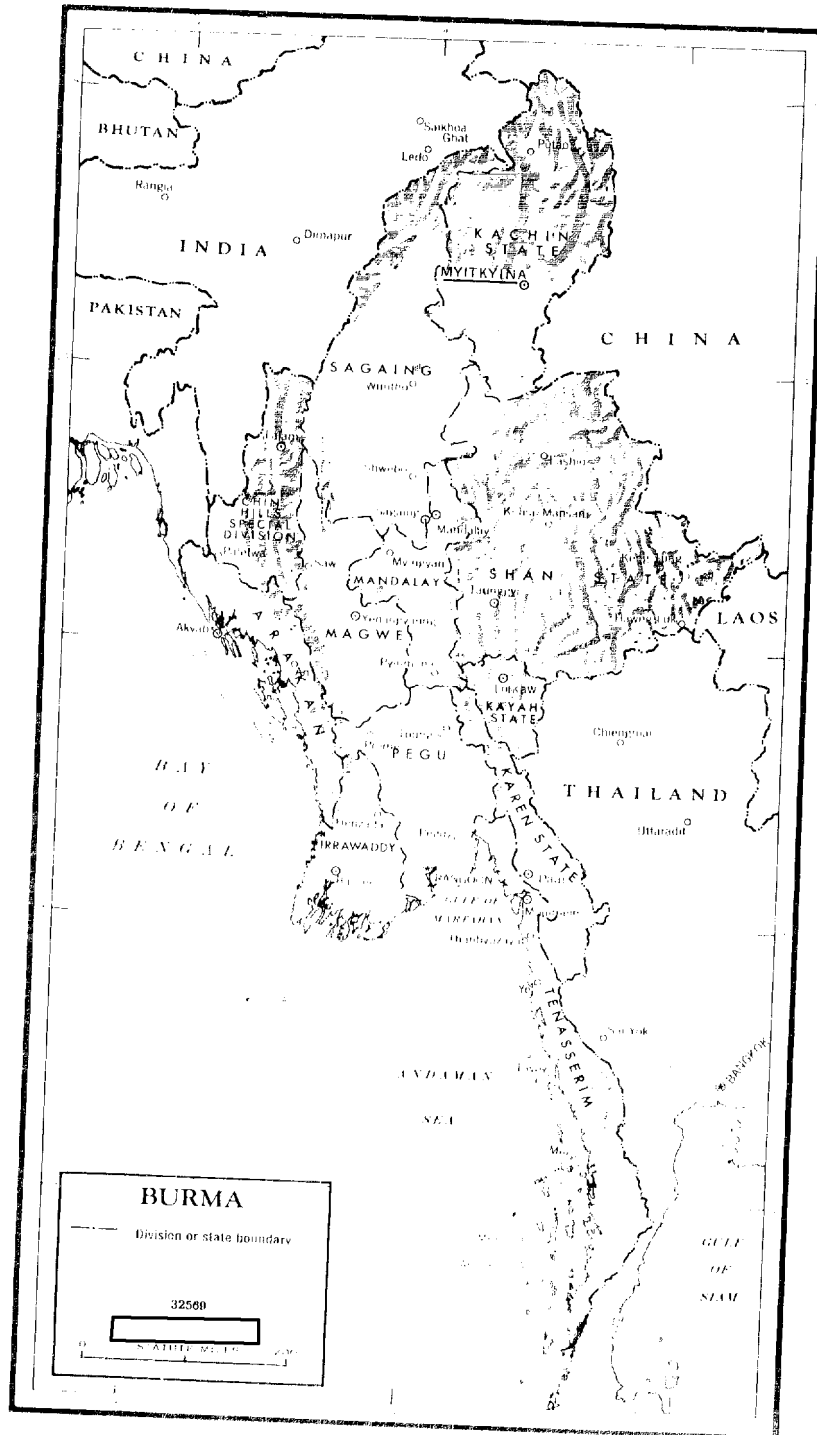
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Burma: The insurgency problem is becoming increasingly acute, particularly in Kachin State, where roads and trails outside the capital of Myitkyina are now unsafe for travelers. The embryonic Kachin independence army reportedly is attracting considerable popular support in its anti-Burman campaign. Its forces now number about 2,000, with eight hundred operating in the Myitkyina area. Rangoon's chief officer there reports that the situation is going "from bad to worse," and that many merchants, fearing a major conflict, are seeking refuge in Mandalay and Rangoon.

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The Burmese Army has had to increase its strength in Kachin State--usually one of the most peaceful areas of Burma--and reportedly is bringing in mixed army units including some Kachin troops. This would be the first time Rangoon has risked opposing minority insurgents with army forces of the same ethnic origin.

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Congo: Prime Minister Adoula has privately indicated that he will not appoint members to the proposed joint Leopoldville-Katangan commissions or enter new talks with Tshombé until the latter gives positive assurances that he will move forward on integration. Tshombé has already appointed the Katangan members of the commissions, which are intended to resolve specific differences over the means of achieving Katanga's integration. Adoula suspects that since the commissions' mandate has never been defined, Tshombé will only use them to stall further, and in the end will repudiate their authority.

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Tensions which arose between UN and Katangan forces over Tshombé's introduction of 2,000 troops into Elisabethville for the "independence" celebrations on 11 July have lessened. The UN roadblock remains in place, however.

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